

**TOWN OF ACTON
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
FEBRUARY 12, 2009**

1. SALUTE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

2. APROVAL OF AGENDA: Approved as written.

3. APROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: Approved as written.

4. SIGNING WARRANTS: Approved and signed.

5. OLD BUSINESS:

(A) Petition Entitled: “Shall the Town vote to put all road work including road special projects out to bid?” Nancy noted that there is no effective date. Emergency repairs are not addressed. There is no minimum amount for bids. Tony said if the system is not broken don't try to fix it. Mike said the article is too loosely written and made a motion to deny the petition. The motion was passed with a majority vote.

(B) Petition Entitled: “Shall the Town vote to amend the following section of the Acton Warrant and Finance Committee Ordinance adopted by Article 55 on March 8, 1986? (2.) Members to the committee shall be elected by secret referendum ballot. ~~nominated at large from the floor.~~ (This shall be effective upon the expiration of the current terms.) Nancy noted that by state law, when a change is made in the way elected positions are voted, it must be done at least 90 days before the annual meeting at which the change is to be effective. Mike made a motion to deny the petition. The motion was passed with a majority vote.

(C) Petition Entitled: “Shall the Town vote to eliminate the two elected road commissioner positions at the end of the current terms, and create the appointed position of a Public Works Director to be effective July 1, 2009?” Nancy noted that this also is a change in the way elected positions are handled. Mike made a motion to deny the petition. The motion was passed with a majority vote.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

(A) SIGN NOTICES FOR PUBLIC HEARING: Because the location of the March 5 hearing has been changed from the Town Hall to the Acton Elementary School, new notices must be signed and posted. On a motion by Mike, the notices were signed.

(B) SIGN TOWN MEETING WARRANT: On a motion by Mike, the warrant was signed.

Barbara Seckar asked when the cable equipment will be installed. She had hoped it would be before the March Town Meeting. Tony said a cable committee needs to be appointed and someone trained to use the equipment. He noted that Scott Dunham, Anna Williams and Barbara had expressed willingness to serve.

Selectmen noted that they will use money from the building maintenance to get the generators tested.

7. ADJOURNMENT: Adjourned at 7:30 pm

8. MEMBERS PRESENT: Nancy Ruma, Mike Conway, Tony Cogliandro

9. OTHERS PRESENT: Barbara Seckar, David Harry, Richard Michaud, Berton Rogers, Roger Roy, Bernard Yeaton, Jim Driscoll, Scott Mooney, Holly Mooney, Lorraine Yeaton.